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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, SY, US

SUBJECT: KHADDAM VISIT

REF: DAMASCUS 2152

1. WE ARE FAIRLY SURE THAT SECURITY PROTECTION WILL BE
MANAGEABLE WITH THE KHADDAMS STAYING AT THE QABBANIS, BUT
WE WILL RECONFIRM ON MONDAY.

2. BELIEVE WE HAVE CONCLUDED SATISFACTORY ARRANGEMENTS
SO THAT BOTH KHADDAMS CAN HAVE FULL RPT FULL EXAMINATIONS
AND LAB TESTS ON FRIDAY MORNING, APRIL 22, AT ANDREWS AIR
FORCE HOSPITAL. KHADDAM WOULD PROBABLY HAVE TO BEGIN
THE EXAMINATIONS AT ANDREWS AT ABOUT 7:30 A.M. OR 8:00 A.M.;
AND ALL WORK COULD BE COMPLETED IN ABOUT TWO AND A HALF
HOURS MAXIMUM. IF HE GETS A GOOD REST ON THE NIGHT OF HIS
ARRIVAL, AND DOES NOT MIND RISING EARLY, THIS SHOULD BE
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A MANAGEABLE ARRANGEMENT, EVEN TAKING INTO ACCOUNT DRIVING
TIME TO ANDREWS. MRS. QABBANI COULD ASSIST MRS. KHADDAM
IN INTERPRETING WITH THE DOCTORS; AND KHADDAM'S OWN
INTERPRETER COULD ASSIST HIM.

3. EARLIER WALTER REED ESTIMATES OF MEDICAL EXPENSES FOR
FULL EXAMINATIONS WERE IN THE DOLS 140-190 RANGE, WITH

POSSIBLY SOME ADDED EXPENSES FOR DERMATOLOGIST. OUR CUSTOM HERE WOULD BE TO PRESENT BILL TO QABBANI, WHO HAS ALREADY BEEN BRIEFED ON THESE ARRANGEMENTS AND SEES NO PROBLEM. WILL SEND YOU REVISED ESTIMATES ON MONDAY.

4. WE HAVE ALREADY BEGUN LOOKING INTO MATTER OF COVERING EXPENSES OF KHADDAM'S VISIT, AND WILL REPORT DECISION SOONEST.
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